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Fire Containment Systems

CellBlock FCS and VSE form a Strategic Partnership

ALEXANDRIA, VA AND STANDISH, ME - October 18, 2022 - With the increased presence of lithium-ion power in everyday life — from laptops, tablets and cell phones to toys, power banks, and more — thermal runaway protection on aircraft has become more important than ever before. VSE Corporation and CellBlock FCS are both united in the belief that everyone should have access to the proper equipment to suppress or contain a battery fire - be it in the air, on land, or at sea. This alignment of thought has now evolved into a strategic partnership as VSE prepares to launch CellBlock's Lithium-Ion Battery Incident Kit (LIBIK) product line, increasing availability of innovative safety tools.

Lisa Sasse, CellBlock's VP of Safety and Security, noted, "in my conversations with VSE Corporation, they have demonstrated a great deal of industry knowledge and a remarkable dedication to making quality safety solutions accessible to all. CellBlock is pleased to be able to partner with them in this way."

Current FAA guidance advises against moving a PED (Personal Electronic Device) and suggests suppressing the danger so it can be safely contained. The LIBIK effectively addresses this concern with easy-to-deploy tools to control a fire in-place, and embodies the safest and simplest means of extinguishing a lithium-ion battery fire while minimizing exposure to toxic smoke and vapors.

The LIBIK contains fire-suppression pillows, a Fire Shield blanket rated at temperatures of over 2000 degrees, and personal safety equipment including high-heat gloves. Optional filters provide additional pressure release capabilities and filtration of noxious gasses.

An additional benefit of the kits is their favorable environmental impact. The pillows contain CellBlockEX, an aggregate manufactured from 100% post-



The LIBIK contains a full array of battery safety tools

consumer recycled glass that can extinguish fires without the use of water or Halon. This too, aligns with the companies' singular and collective goal of offering well-engineered safety solutions that lessen the firefighter's exposure to harmful substances.

"At VSE Aviation we are passionate about supplying our commercial, business and general aviation customers with the latest technology to improve their operations" said Ben Thomas, President of VSE Aviation. "Our CellBlock partnership offers a solution to overheated lithium-ion battery incidents in full compliance with the most recent regulatory guidance, focusing on safe extinguishing, not mere containment."

VSE Corporation will represent the full LIBIK product offering and expects to have products available later this year. They plan to stock popular configurations of the kit to allow quick delivery when time is of the essence. CellBlock FCS is confident the partnership will improve industry standards by putting their cutting edge tools within consumer's reach.

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About Cellblock FCS

CellBlock FCS provides modern solutions for a lithium-powered world. Stored energy is increasingly present in our lives. CellBlock's goal is to match the speed of emerging technology with engineered products that address safety concerns at every level — from development to deployment.

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